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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New Divisional PATENT APPLICATION:

Based on Parent Application No. 08/188,417  
Parent Filed on January 24, 1994

Applicant(s): Pierre LASSON et al.

Application No.: 09/881,747

Filed: June 18, 2001

For: POLYMER COMPOSITIONS INTENDED  
FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF PIPES  
FOR CONVEYING HYDROCARBONS  
AND ARTICLES BASED ON THESE  
COMPOSITIONS

Attorney Docket: 32232-172620

**SECOND**  
**PRELIMINARY**  
**AMENDMENT**

U.S.P.T.O. Customer No.



July 30, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20031

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 6 and 7 to read as follows:

6. (Amended) A pipe including at least one layer consisting of a composition comprising a PVDF homopolymer and at least one fluorocopolymer, where in the composition comprises, by weight,

- (A) approximately from 60 to 80 % of at least one PVDF homopolymer;
- (B) approximately from 20 to 40% of at least one thermoplastic copolymer of vinylidene fluoride (VF<sub>2</sub>) and of at least one other fluoromonomer, present in this copolymer in weight proportions of approximately 5 to 25%;

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